



MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT  
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**Mental Health Issues:  
A Training Seminar for Court Staff**

<b>June 20</b> Michigan Hall of Justice Lansing	<b>July 17</b> Cadillac Place Detroit	<b>August 7</b> Ramada Inn Marquette	<b>August 9</b> SCAO Region IV Gaylord	<b>August 22</b> SCAO Region III Mt. Pleasant
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**INTRODUCTION**

Court and county clerk front-line staff is likely to have the first contact with litigants and the general public. Staff needs to understand the unique situation of individuals with mental health issues who come into court. To do so, staff needs to become familiar with the basic issues, diagnoses, treatments and, especially, individual interactions that are successful when dealing with individuals with mental illness.

To help front-line staff better understand the scope of mental health issues, the Michigan Judicial Institute (MJI) is pleased to offer a full-day seminar.

**DESCRIPTION**

Upon completion of this seminar, participants will be able to:

- Better understand individuals with mental health issues who come into court
- Describe and identify common mental health disorders
- Become familiar with some therapeutic interventions
- Demonstrate how their behavior may positively influence the individual's court interaction

**FACULTY**

Faculty for this seminar includes:

- Dr. Larry Beer, Ed.D., Licensed Psychologist
- Ms. Annette Collins, LMSW, Fully Licensed Master Level Social Worker

**ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS**

This seminar is designed for new and experienced court and county clerk staff. Registration is limited to 40 participants (27 minimum) for each location and applicants will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. MJI will attempt to ensure that at least one staff member from each court that registers is accepted to attend. Other court staff may apply and will be considered for attendance on a space-available basis.

**SEMINAR SCHEDULE**

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the program starting promptly at 9 a.m. and concluding by 4 p.m., at each location.

### REGISTRATION AND CONFIRMATION

Please use the following link to register: <http://courts.michigan.gov/MjiOnline>. Use the invitation code: 529EFA. Enrollment for each location is limited to 40 participants (27 minimum). Applicants will be e-mailed a confirmation letter detailing specific on-site registration information. **Registration deadline for all sites is Friday, June 7, 2013.**

### LODGING

MJI will provide double-occupancy lodging the evening prior to the seminar you select, for all participants whose court is located **more than 100 miles** from the seminar location. If you request single-occupancy lodging, you will be responsible for one-half of the double-occupancy room rate (approximately \$40.00 plus applicable taxes). Please make an appropriate lodging request when you register.

### MEALS AND PARKING

Participants will be provided lunch, as well as coffee, tea, and water at the seminar, at each location.

Parking costs will be reimbursed for participants attending the Detroit seminar. If you seek reimbursement, you will be required to complete a voucher and provide a receipt for parking. Reimbursement will be mailed to you 6-8 weeks following the seminar. Participants attending the Lansing seminar will receive a parking pass for the Michigan Hall of Justice parking lot at the conclusion of the seminar. Parking is free of charge for participants at the other sites.

All other incidentals, including mileage, phone calls, etc., are the responsibility of each individual or his/her funding unit.

Facility space constraints will not allow MJI to make any arrangements to accommodate spouses, family, or friends of a participant. MJI facilities accommodate persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodations, please indicate your needs when you register.

### QUESTIONS

Please direct questions concerning the registration process to Anne DeMarco at [demarcoa@courts.mi.gov](mailto:demarcoa@courts.mi.gov), or (517) 373-7349. If you have questions about the content of the seminar, please contact Peter Stathakis, MJI Program Manager, at [stathakisp@courts.mi.gov](mailto:stathakisp@courts.mi.gov), or (517) 373-7607.

Please complete the online registration form by **Friday, June 7, 2013**